

**Reprint
as at 15 October 1981**



**The New Zealand Fire Brigades
Long Service and Good Conduct
Medal**

(SR 1976/253)

Elizabeth R

Royal Warrant

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God Queen of New Zealand and Her Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to all to whom these Presents shall come,

Greeting!

Whereas We are desirous of signifying Our appreciation of long and meritorious service by members of Fire Brigades and Fire Services within Our Realm of New Zealand:

We do by these presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, institute and create a new Medal and We do hereby direct that it shall be governed by the following rules and ordinances:

Firstly: Style.—The Medal shall be designated and styled “The New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal”.

Note

Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this reprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this reprint, together with other explanatory material about this reprint.

This warrant is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.

Secondly: Description.—The Medal shall be of silver and circular in shape, bearing on the obverse the Crowned Effigy of the Sovereign, and on the reverse the inscription “New Zealand Fire Brigades—For Long Service and Good Conduct” and a representation of a fern frond.

Thirdly: Ribbon.—The Medal shall be worn from the left breast suspended from a ribbon thirty-two millimetres in width, of vermilion having in the centre narrow stripes of yellow, black and yellow.

Fourthly: Eligibility.—Those eligible for the Medal shall be persons (not being members of Our New Zealand Armed Forces) serving as full time or part time members of a Fire Brigade or Fire Service operated or maintained by, or registered with, the New Zealand Fire Service Commission or a Government Department in Our Realm of New Zealand on or after the first day of April 1976, and whose conduct is, in the opinion of the New Zealand Fire Service Commission, of such good standard to warrant the Medal.

Fifthly: Service Required.—The qualifying period requisite for the Medal shall be fourteen years full time or part time, or an aggregate of fourteen years full time or part time, service in a Fire Brigade or Fire Service operated or maintained by, or registered with, the New Zealand Fire Service Commission or a Government Department in Our Realm of New Zealand.

Sixthly: Clasps.—It is Ordained that a Clasp to the Medal, to be attached to the ribbon when the Medal itself is worn, may be awarded for each additional seven years of service subsequent to that for which the Medal was awarded, and that for each Clasp awarded a silver rosette shall be added to the ribbon when worn alone.

Seventhly: Reckoning of Service.—It is Ordained that the following service may be reckoned towards the qualifying period for the award of the Medal or any Clasp thereof:

- a Full time or part time service in a Fire Brigade or Fire Service operated or maintained by any local or public authority within Our Realm of New Zealand before the first day of April 1976:

- b Full time or part time service in a recognised Fire Brigade or Fire Service within a country of the Commonwealth of which We are Queen, which has not been recognised by the award of an official long service and good conduct medal, provided that such service is in the opinion of the Minister of Internal Affairs, or a Minister of the Crown deputising for the Minister of Internal Affairs, deemed to be of a similar standard to that prescribed for Fire Brigades and Fire Services within Our Realm of New Zealand.
- c Full time or part time service as a member of Our New Zealand Armed Forces in the Fire Service operated by the Ministry of Defence in Our Realm of New Zealand, which has not been recognised by the award of an official long service and good conduct medal.
- d Full time or part time service in a Fire Brigade or Fire Service operated or maintained by a body corporate, provided that such service is in the opinion of the Minister of Internal Affairs, or a Minister of the Crown deputising for the Minister of Internal Affairs, deemed to be of a similar standard to that prescribed for other Fire Brigades or Fire Services within Our Realm of New Zealand.

Eighthly: Registration.—The names of all those to whom the Medal is awarded shall be recorded in a register kept by the New Zealand Fire Service Commission in Our Realm of New Zealand.

Ninthly: Names of Recipients.—The name of the recipient shall be engraved or stamped on the rim of the Medal.

Tenthly: Order of Wear.—In the official list showing the order in which Orders, Decorations and Medals shall be worn, the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal shall in Our Realm of New Zealand be placed immediately after Our New Zealand Police Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Eleventhly: Miniatures.—Reproductions of the Medal in miniature, which may be worn on certain occasions by those to whom the Medal is awarded, shall be approximately half

the size of the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, and a sealed pattern of the miniature Medal shall be deposited with and kept by the Clerk of Our Executive Council of New Zealand.

Twelfthly: Delegated Powers.—Delegated powers to make awards under the terms of this Our Warrant shall be vested in Our Minister of Internal Affairs in New Zealand or in a Minister of the Crown deputising for Our Minister of Internal Affairs, save only on a recommendation by the New Zealand Fire Service Commission.

Thirteenthly: Other Awards.—It shall be a condition of the award of the Medal in any Fire Brigade or Fire Service that any unofficial or local long service or good conduct medals for wear in the said Brigade or Service shall not be worn in association with Our New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.

Fourteenthly: Forfeiture and Restoration.—It shall be competent for Our Minister of Internal Affairs or Minister of the Crown deputising for Our Minister of Internal Affairs save only on a recommendation by the New Zealand Fire Service Commission, to cancel and annul the conferment of the Medal or any Clasp thereof on any person, and also to restore the Medal or Clasp which has been so forfeited.

Lastly: Annulment of Rules and Ordinances.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these rules and ordinances, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Sign Manual.

Clause 4: substituted, on 15 October 1981, by the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal 1981 (SR 1981/286).

Clause 5: substituted, on 15 October 1981, by the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal 1981 (SR 1981/286).

Clause 7d: added, on 15 October 1981, by the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal 1981 (SR 1981/286).

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**The New Zealand Fire Brigades Long
Service and Good Conduct Medal**

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this Eighth day of September
One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-six, in the Twenty-fifth
year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,
R D Muldoon.

Issued under the authority of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989.
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Notes**1 General**

This is a reprint of the New Zealand Fire Brigades Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. The reprint incorporates all the amendments to the warrant as at 15 October 1981, as specified in the list of amendments at the end of these notes.

Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions that cannot be compiled in the reprint are also included, after the principal enactment, in chronological order. For more information, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/reprints/>.

2 Status of reprints

Under section 16D of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by the amendments to that enactment. This presumption applies even though editorial changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in the reprint.

This presumption may be rebutted by producing the official volumes of statutes or statutory regulations in which the principal enactment and its amendments are contained.

3 How reprints are prepared

A number of editorial conventions are followed in the preparation of reprints. For example, the enacting words are not included in Acts, and provisions that are repealed or revoked

are omitted. For a detailed list of the editorial conventions, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/> or Part 8 of the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations and Deemed Regulations in Force*.

4 Changes made under section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989

Section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 authorises the making of editorial changes in a reprint as set out in sections 17D and 17E of that Act so that, to the extent permitted, the format and style of the reprinted enactment is consistent with current legislative drafting practice. Changes that would alter the effect of the legislation are not permitted. A new format of legislation was introduced on 1 January 2000. Changes to legislative drafting style have also been made since 1997, and are ongoing. To the extent permitted by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, all legislation reprinted after 1 January 2000 is in the new format for legislation and reflects current drafting practice at the time of the reprint.

In outline, the editorial changes made in reprints under the authority of section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 are set out below, and they have been applied, where relevant, in the preparation of this reprint:

- omission of unnecessary referential words (such as “of this section” and “of this Act”)
- typeface and type size (Times Roman, generally in 11.5 point)
- layout of provisions, including:
 - indentation
 - position of section headings (eg, the number and heading now appear above the section)
- format of definitions (eg, the defined term now appears in bold type, without quotation marks)
- format of dates (eg, a date formerly expressed as “the 1st day of January 1999” is now expressed as “1 January 1999”)

- position of the date of assent (it now appears on the front page of each Act)
- punctuation (eg, colons are not used after definitions)
- Parts numbered with roman numerals are replaced with arabic numerals, and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- case and appearance of letters and words, including:
 - format of headings (eg, headings where each word formerly appeared with an initial capital letter followed by small capital letters are amended so that the heading appears in bold, with only the first word (and any proper nouns) appearing with an initial capital letter)
 - small capital letters in section and subsection references are now capital letters
- schedules are renumbered (eg, Schedule 1 replaces First Schedule), and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- running heads (the information that appears at the top of each page)
- format of two-column schedules of consequential amendments, and schedules of repeals (eg, they are rearranged into alphabetical order, rather than chronological).

5 *List of amendments incorporated in this reprint
(most recent first)*

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